



Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors

Supervisor John F. Weishan, Jr., 16th District

Media Advisory for Monday October 14

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Sup. Weishan to Attend Renaming of Indigenous Peoples Park

*Students from Indian Community School will Lead a Renaming
Ceremony on October 14*

MILWAUKEE – Supervisor John F. Weishan, Jr., will attend a ceremony to rename Columbus Park as Indigenous Peoples Park on Monday, October 14 and unveil publicly for the first time an official Milwaukee County Parks sign with the new name.

The event will be hosted and led by students from the Indian Community School.

The renaming ceremony will include opening remarks by Jason Dropik, Head of School for the Indian Community School (ICS), followed by a song by the ICS Eagle Singers student drum, and two ICS students who will share words about their class petitioning for the establishment of Indigenous Peoples Day. They will be followed by Milwaukee Mayor Tom Barrett, Alderman Cavalier "Chevy" Johnson, and County Supervisor Felesia Martin, and Supervisor Weishan.

After these remarks from elected officials, Chief Clayton Winneshiek of the Ho-Chunk Nation will reveal the new park sign.

Supervisor Felesia Martin sponsored a 2019 county [resolution](#) that renamed Columbus Park as Indigenous Peoples Park.

Supervisor Weishan sponsored a 2016 county [resolution](#) establishing the second Monday in October as Indigenous Peoples Day for Milwaukee County.

Governor Tony Evers signed an [Executive Order](#) on October 8, 2019 establishing the second Monday in October as Indigenous Peoples Day for the state of Wisconsin.

WHAT: Dedication & Celebration of Indigenous Peoples Park

WHEN: Monday, October 14, 2019 • 9:30 am

WHERE: Indigenous Peoples Park, 7301 W Courtland Ave, Milwaukee, WI 53218

WHO: County Supervisor John Weishan, County Supervisor Felesia Martin, ICS Staff, Students and Tribal Leaders, Milwaukee Mayor Tom Barrett, Milwaukee Alderman Chevy Johnson

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